

What's Happening Wednesday

Kansas Immunization Program



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VFC Consultant On-Call

The Consultant for July 21st through July 27th, 2018 is Jayme Lewis at (Jayme.Lewis@ks.gov) or by calling 785-296-5592

Chief Chat– Thank you to all who attended the first of the Kansas Immunization Program Knowledge Injection Series (KIP-KIS) presentations last week. There were over one hundred who registered and over seventy-one lines signed into for the presentation. We know that several lines had greater than one person participating on the call. Watch for the next KIP-KIS in September!



The week after we announced the dates for the 2010 Kansas Immunization Conference we found out the dates conflicted with the Kansas Association of Local Health Departments semi-annual meeting. We contacted the Tony's Event Center and have been successful renegotiating our dates to avoid the conflict. We will now host the 2019 Kansas Immunization Conference June 12 and 13, 2019 with a preconference on June 11, 2019 at the Tony's Event Center in Salina. Please mark your calendars now with these corrected dates.

August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAW). We encourage you to visit the National Public Health Information Coalition ([NPHIC](#)) [NIAW website](#) to find toolkits for communications ready to use for weekly theme. These kits contain samples of key messages, news releases, Facebook posts, tweets and a variety of other resources. The weekly themes are:



July 29 – August 4

Back to School: Ready for school? Make sure those vaccine records are up to date!

August 5-11

Pregnant Women: Protect yourself and pass protection on to your baby.

August 12-18

Babies and Young Children: A healthy start begins with on-time vaccinations.

August 19-25

Preteens & Teens: Ensure a healthy future with vaccines.

August 26-31

Adults: Vaccines are not just for kids.

We have just this week been notified that the CDC did successfully negotiate a contract for a limited supply of public stock FluMist for this upcoming season. We have passed along our requested pre-book of this limited vaccine based upon the actual requests from VFC providers completing the survey conducted in April. Only those who requested FluMist during this survey will be offered any of this vaccine and it will be doses in addition to the original non-LAIV pre-books placed in January. Expected delivery is to begin October of public Flumist.

Have a great week and thanks for all you do to immunize Kansans!
Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention

Vax Facts

On July 1, CDC announced updates to a number of the appendices in the 13th edition of Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (also known as "The Pink Book").

To view the CDC web page listing the updated appendices, go to the book's [Errata, Updates & Clarifications](#) web page. Updates were made to the following:

Appendix A

- Recommended Immunization Schedules for Persons Aged 0 Through 18 Years
- Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule
- Recommended and Minimum Ages and Intervals Between Doses of Routinely Recommended Vaccines
- Summary of Recommendations for Child/Teen Immunization
- Summary of Recommendations for Adult Immunization
- Recommended intervals between administration of immune globulin preparations and measles- or varicella-containing vaccine
- Healthcare Personnel Vaccination Recommendations
- Vaccination of Persons with Primary and Secondary Immune Deficiencies
- Guide to Contraindications and Precautions to Commonly Used Vaccines
- Guide to Contraindications and Precautions to Commonly Used Vaccines in Adults

Appendix B

- U.S. Vaccines
- Vaccine Excipient and Media Summary, by Vaccine
- Latex in Vaccine Packaging

Appendix C

- It's Federal Law
- Instructions for Use of VISs
- VIS Questions and Answers
- CDC's Vaccine Information Statement Web page



Appendix E

- Reported Cases and Deaths from Vaccine Preventable Diseases, United States, 1950–2016
- Impact of Vaccines in the 20th and 21st Centuries
- Vaccine Coverage Levels, United States, 1962–2016

Appendix F

- Contact Information: Selected Vaccine Manufacturers & Distributors
- Immunization Grantees

All the sections of "The Pink Book" (i.e., chapters, appendices, 2017 supplement) are available to download at no charge at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html.

Injection of Education-

Did you know that vaccines should be kept in their original boxes with the lids remaining intact and closed? Exposure to light can cause a loss of potency in many vaccines including Gardasil, MMR, Proquad, both brands of rotavirus, Varivax, and Zostavax. While it may seem that placing vaccines in an open bin or removing the lid might save time, this is not an immunization best practice. Physically removing a vaccine from its original box can act as an additional way to double check that the correct vaccine is being given and avoid a vaccine preventable error that could be caused by quickly grabbing a loose vaccine. Surprisingly, that small box can also offer some protection from out of range temperatures including frequent opening and closing of vaccine storage units doors.

You can find more information and CDC recommended “best practices” for storing vaccines in the CDC’s 2018 Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit beginning on page 21.

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/toolkit/storage-handling-toolkit.pdf>

Goodbye and good luck to Brittany Ersery–

After two successful years comprehensively managing over 3500 user accounts in her User Support Coordinator position, Brittany was promoted to Assistant IIS (Immunization Information System) Manager. During her time as Assistant IIS manager Brittany oversaw all functions of the KSWebIZ Help Desk, created and maintained internal and external policies and procedures, and transitioned and coached her entire staff through upgrade implementations. Some of the key implementations during Brittany’s time as Assistant IIS Manager were the VtrckS interface, HL7 (Health Level 7) 2.5.1, Report DataMart to alleviate impact on the KSWebIZ transactional database, and the overhaul of the KSWebIZ application’s look and feel.



Brittany earned certification in the State of Kansas Information Technology Traditional and Agile Project Management Methodologies. In the fall of 2014, Brittany was promoted to IIS Manager. As IIS Manager, Brittany has implemented an automated HL7 on-boarding and VFC (Vaccine for Children) Enrollment processes using the iSIIS (Innovative Solutions for Immunization Information Systems) Vision Provider Management tool allowing HL7 integrations to be completed in as quickly as 60 days and VFC (Vaccine For Children) re-enrollments to be completed in 28 days for over 300 VFC provider sites.

Brittany serves as the grant project manager for the \$1.5 million Capacity and Interoperability grant which has introduced a new interface with one of the state Health Information Organizations – LACIE (Lewis and Clark Information Exchange) – resulting in one of the largest healthcare systems submitting data to KSWebIZ. Additionally, the grant provided support funds to roughly 100 facilities and 1 EHR (Electronic Health Record) vendor to assist with the cost of implementing interoperability while other grant dollars were used to implement CDSi (Clinical Decision System for Immunizations) forecast requirements, interjurisdictional exchange, patient portal through MyKSHealth, and begin work toward moving the Kansas Immunization Registry to the Microsoft Azure Cloud.

Serving on the AIRA (American Immunization Registry Association) Joint Development and Assessment committees, Brittany makes every effort to continue to build knowledge in the industry she’s dedicated her career to. Also, Brittany served as a member of the AIRA Board. Brittany’s last day is Friday July 27th, 2018.



The Immunization team will definitely miss Brittany. She is always smiling and doesn’t hesitate to drop what she is doing to help anyone out that needs assistance. We wish her well in her future adventures and know she will be a great addition to any team she joins. Thanks for all you’ve done over the years Brittany!!

Kimbra Nemmers will serve as Interim Immunization Registry Manager until the position is filled. Kimbra can be reached at 785-296-0678 or Kimbra.Nemmers@ks.gov.

Check out our Facebook Page-

Thanks to all of you who LIKE our page. We appreciate all of your support and hard work vaccinating Kansans from vaccine preventable diseases! We can be found by clicking on the Facebook logo or link below. Please make sure and share our posts and like our page while you are there. <https://www.facebook.com/ImmunizeKS/>



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Aggregate Inventory Training

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs every Monday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 10:30a-11:30a. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation submission, Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ**

Aggregate (HL-7) Users Only!

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

Direct Entry Inventory Training

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs every Tuesday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand screen, Reconciliation submission, and Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298>

New User Training

The New User Training occurs every Thursday from 2p-3p, and the second Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442>

School Module Training

The School Module Training occurs on the third Friday of every month from 9a-10a. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use the KSWebIZ School Module. We will be going over log-in, adding history, education, and printing reports. Please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8422671756415350273>

Reports Training

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports module. We will be going over the most often used reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/568840407867357186>

Pharmacy Training

The Pharmacy Training occurs every Monday from 10a-11a and every Wednesday from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ pharmacy users that are new or would like a simplified refresher training on how to report immunizations to the state registry in compliance with statute KSA65-1635a. The training will consist of, logging-in, searching a patient, updating patient demographics, and adding immunizations. Please take the time to attend this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Pharmacy Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7882741178298559746>

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	2/12/18
Chickenpox	2/12/18	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	2/12/18
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	12/2/16	Polio	7/20/16
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	2/23/18
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	2/12/18
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	4/11/17
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/09/16	Yellow fever	3/30/11

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 [Vaccine Redistribution information and lists](#).

REMINDERS: Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date.
 - 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider.
 - 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date.
 - 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
 - 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
 - 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes.
 - 7) The KIP Regional Immunization Consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine.
 - 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
 - 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
 - 10) Varicella and Proquad will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the KIP requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers.
- For questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.